

LOWER POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY OCTOBER 10, 2016

The Lower Pottsgrove Township Authority held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 10, 2016 the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The following attended:

James Toth, Chairman	Edward Wagner, Manager
Cody Robbins, Vice Chairman	Stephen Kalis, Solicitor
Dave Richards, Treasurer (Absent)	Chad Camburn, Engineer
Mark Loshnowsky, Secretary	Kathy Kurtas
Jim Vlahos	

Mr. Toth announced that the meeting was being recorded.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORITY MINUTES: Mr. Vlahos motioned to approve the minutes of September 12, 2016 and Mr. Robbins seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by a 4-0 vote.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion on Borough Authority of October 6, 2016 Meeting— Mr. Wagner reported that we had a very productive meeting with the Borough Authority/Pottsgroves and referred to the packet. Mr. Wagner stated that the Borough indicated that our flows in 2016 increased from 21% to 28% percent which would increase our payment significantly. Mr. Wagner and Mr. Camburn would like to review the flows and the Borough finance department will provide the numbers for our review. Once the review is completed the results will be reported back to the Authority. In addition Mr. Wagner said that the Borough needs to purchase a new (PD) blower and is continuing to work with the manufacturer on this issue which could lead to a possible insurance claim. This purchase would come out of their operation and maintenance fund and not the capital fund. Mr. Wagner said these were the two major topics discussed at last weeks meeting.

Developers Discussion & Update (CAP) —Mr. Camburn reported the following for September 2016 as part of the I & I reduction program:

- A total of 9 sewer inspections were performed
- A capital project planning meeting was held with LPTA staff to discuss items for 2017
- There is 37,109.42 dollars left in the I & I contract with Sewer Specialties this does not include costs for work completed to sewer through the high school property
- There was one significant rain event on September 29-30 no weather SSOs were observed.
- 598 EDU's available to be allocated

Sewer Engineering Report---Mr. Camburn reported some of the highlights:

- The PA Department of Community and Economic Development has reopened its PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Program. The grant is available for sewer projects between \$30,000 and \$500,000 and will be discussed later in the agenda.
- We are currently working on researching and preparing appropriate limits for flows from the North End portion of Pottstown Borough and through the LPTA sewer system.

The flows from adjacent municipalities impact the amount of flow 11,800 gallons that can be contributed by Lower Pottsgrove Township before the limit to the WWTP is reached. In addition to a flow limit being established, means for tracking, managing, communicating, and operating the flows should be developed and incorporated into the agreement.

- Followed up with Jacobs engineer to discuss potential for the LPTA to obtain an access easement in the area of the Armand Hammer Blvd. interchange.
- Participated in staff meeting for discussion on updating EDU determination through a Resolution.
- Participated in staff meeting to develop draft 2017 capital projects and budget.
- Prepared sewage facilities planning module mailer and supporting documents for 1239 N. Pleasantview Road.
- Reviewed Villa Drive PS piping updates based on new generator. Obtained a new quote for re-piping material.

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation from Sanatoga Green Development---Developers Ted Drauschak and Kenneth Brier from Castle Caldecott, LLC the owners of some 50 acres off the Sanatoga Interchange adjacent to the Sanatoga Park attended the meeting to make a presentation on the proposed Sanatoga Green Development. Mr. Drauschak explained that Sanatoga Green is a traditional mixed use project in that it has 4 different elements that include a townhouse component, an apartment component, a medical office building component and a hotel component. The site can be accessed from Evergreen Road and Park Road. Park Road will extend from the existing driveway that serves Genesis Healthcare to Sanatoga Park. There will be separate entrances off Evergreen and Park Roads to the townhomes and apartments. Mr. Drauschak said the project team is made up of H & K Engineering and Castle Caldecott LLC the owner. H & K Engineering is doing all the civil engineering work for the project. Mr. Drauschak would like to come back at a future date with detailed engineering drawings about sewer and water service for the project.

Mr. Drauschak said there is an existing easement through the length of the site that feeds down to the pump station at Sanatoga Lake. He explained that all the sewer will eventually feed down to the pump station at Sanatoga Lake and they are aware that the pump station will require some upgrades. Mr. Drauschak then introduced Mike Engle, Engineer for H & K Engineering who gave a brief summary on the project and how the sewer would be rerouted to fit the requirements of the project and also the amount of EDU's that would be needed to facilitate all the components of the project. Mr. Engle said that most of the units on the project will be serviced by gravity sewer and only a few would require a grinder pump in the basement of their townhome. Mr. Engle stated that there would be no interruption of service for the Genesis Center when rerouting the current configuration of the sewer service. He then discussed the EDU's that potentially are needed for the project and how Resolution 2014-93 guided him on the correct number of EDU's which he estimated the development would need around 589 EDU's. Mr. Engle concluded with the proposed community center which offers a pool and common areas in the apartment component and will have to be added as well to the total of EDU's needed which is very close to the current system wide capacity limit available.

Mr. Drauschak added that he would like to come back with some actual water reading results for the facilities that are the closest to the Sanatoga Green project so we have real comparisons to look at and discuss the alternatives.

Review Proposed 2017 Sewer Operation/Capital Budgets----Mr. Wagner reviewed the draft sewer operation and capital budgets with the Authority. Mr. Wagner said it was nice to report that there were no proposed increase in sewer rent and it would remain at \$136.00 per quarter. The Borough treatment plant which consists of the operation and maintenance is around \$500,000.00. Mr. Wagner had sewer operator Tim Watson speak to the Authority in regards to the potential purchase of a new truck. Mr. Watson explained why he would like to

purchase a new truck specifying that the one he currently has is not efficient for all the needs that his job requires such as the removal of the manhole castings, lids etc. Mr. Watson said the truck he was looking into has a crane that would help him if he would need to remove and replace a manhole castings, pull pumps at the pump stations and enable him to do his job safely and more efficiently. In addition Mr. Watson said that the purchase of a plow for the truck would enable him to help the road crew on plowing during the winter season. Mr. Wagner said it would cost approximately \$71,000.00 less the rough trade in cost of \$21,000.00 making the costs around \$50,000.00 plus.

Mr. Wagner went on to the Fund 10 Capital Improvements for 2017 needed for Sanatoga Lake Pump Station and would like to purchase the Mission flow monitoring system which has been successful at Villa Drive & Porter Road pump stations also an enclosure for the generator, and an electric valve actuator if the developers are willing to put the pumps in. Mr. Wagner asked the sewer operator to explain the need for a new roof and air conditioning unit at the Porter Road pump station. Mr. Watson explained to the Authority that when the checked the air conditioning unit it was found that the roof on Porter Road Pump Station was bad and felt it was best to get both the roof and air conditioner installed at the same time so that the installers can work together to make sure all is secure and no leaks.

Mr. Wagner reported that Villa Drive would need to replace the pipe valves that are very old and install the generator. Quotes for the generator are being obtained and if over \$19,400.00 we would have to go out to bid. We would need diesel operated generator with an approximate 50 gallon tank. A motion was needed to have Mr. Camburn get the specifications for the generator. Mr. Loshnowsky made the motion to have Mr. Camburn of Bursich Engineering get the generator specifications and Mr. Toth seconded and it was unanimously approved by 4-0 vote.

PA Small Water & Sewer Grants—Mr. Toth asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-105 to apply for a PA Small Water and Sewer Grant. Mr. Loshnowsky made the motions to adopt Resolution 2016-105 and Mr. Vlahos seconded and it was unanimously approved by 4-0 vote.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

I. TREASURERS REPORT:

Mr. Kalis read the Treasurer's report dated October 10, 2016

SEWER REVENUE ACCOUNT	\$3,707,051.98
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE	\$ 742,422.91

A motion was made by Mr. Vlahos and seconded by Mr. Robbins and it was unanimously approved by a 4-0 vote to approve the Treasurer's Report of October 10, 2016.

II. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Kalis presented the following bills for payment:

CAPITAL BILLS

SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE PLGIT

BEAVER CONSTRUCTION-Villa Dr Conc Pad	\$	5,700.00
BURSICH ASSOCIATES	\$	2,666.00
EXETER SUPPLY CO INC Pottsgrove High School	\$	1,028.80
BOROUGH OF POTTSTOWN-Screw Pump E	\$	96,787.00

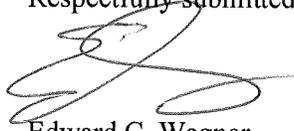
OPERATING ACCT PAYMENTS

BURSICH ASSOCIATES	\$	1,151.00
FOX ROTHSCHILD, LLP	\$	892.50

A motion was made by Mr. Loshnowsky and seconded by Mr. Vlahos and it was unanimously passed by a 4-0 vote to approve the bills for payment as presented.

Mr. Toth asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Robbins made the motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2016

Respectfully submitted,



Edward C. Wagner
Manager